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Invention: INTERVERTEBRAL SPACER DEVICE HAVING A SLOTTED DOMED ARCH STRIP SPRING

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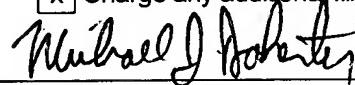
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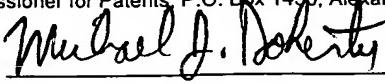
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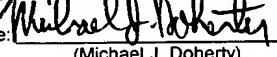
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

The present Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed May 21, 2004 in the above-identified application.